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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application: Simonds et al.  
Serial No.: 10/729,094  
Filed: December 3, 2003  
Art Unit: 3672  
Examiner: Thomas S. Bomar  
For: Apparatus and Method for Completing an  
Interval of a Wellbore While Drilling

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated March 20, 2006 due for reply by June 20, 2006. In view of the following remarks, allowance of the pending claims in this application is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2; and

Remarks being on page 16.

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